

REMARKS

Claim 1 is amended. New claims 2-28 are presented for consideration. No new subject matter is present. Claims 1-28 are now pending. Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-28 is requested in light of the following remarks.

Non Statutory Double Patenting Rejection


Claim 1 was rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-21 of U.S. Patent No. 6,275,574. In the response that was previously filed, the applicant submitted a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the nonstatutory double patenting rejection.

Conclusion

For the above reasons, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-28 is requested. Please telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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